



Paddling with Whales! © Taleen Gaidzkar

PADDLING WITH WHALES

7 and 4 days

Sea kayaking/camping
Departs ex Port McNeill

Tour cost per person twin:

Departures:

4D/3N - 03, 06, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27 & 31 Jul,
03, 07, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28 & 31 Aug,
04, 07, 11 & 14 Sep \$1329

7D/6N - 03, 10, 17, 24 & 31 Jul
07, 14, 21 & 28 Aug,
04 & 11 Sep \$2414

Note: You will need to arrive in Port McNeill the day before departure. (Accommodation not included.)

Accommodation Port McNeill: Twin Single
Haida Way Motor Inn (B&B) \$86 \$151

Price per person includes: meals as per itinerary below, sleeping bag and mattress, expedition kayaks, paddles, life jackets and safety equipment, group camping equipment, group first aid kit, services of qualified guide and assistant and GST.

Few camping experiences will match the fascination and beauty of this sea kayaking adventure close to wild Orcas in the waters around Johnstone Strait. This area is world-renowned for its concentrations of Orcas and during the summer salmon runs groups of up to 100 or more whales gather to feed. Minke whales, dolphins and porpoises can also be seen, as well as an amazing diversity of birdlife.

SAMPLE ITINERARY

Day 1 Base Camp Johnstone Strait

Meet at 09.00 and board a water taxi to your base camp in Johnstone Strait, looking out for Orcas enroute. Settle into camp and commence kayaking orientation. LD.

Days 2/3 Base Camp Johnstone Strait

Days are spent paddling the waters in and around Johnstone Strait, where whales ply the sea in pursuit of salmon. Each day the guides listen for the reports of Orca activity on their VHF radios and set the day's kayaking route for the best opportunity to encounter Orcas. Wonderful days on the water are followed by idyllic evenings enjoying sumptuous dinners and recounting stories. BLD

Day 4 Tour ends Port McNeill

After breakfast enjoy an early morning paddle before returning to base camp for the water taxi trip back to Port McNeill, arriving late noon or early evening. Tour ends. B

TOFINO GETAWAY

3 days/2 nights

Lodge

Departs daily ex Tofino

Tour cost per person:**	Twin	Single
12 Mar-31 May	\$466	\$870
01 Jun-30 Jun	\$544	\$1022
01 Jul-30 Sep	\$694	\$1326

Above prices are provisional and subject to confirmation.

*Prices outside these date ranges on request.

^Higher rates apply on weekends and holidays. Contact us for details.

Price per person includes: transfers to/from Tofino, 2 nights accommodation (room only). Activities not included.[^]

[^]Activities such as fishing, whalewatching and bear-viewing can be packaged into your trip.

Built to complement its spectacular natural surroundings, the historic Wickaninnish Inn offers rooms and suites all featuring floor-to-ceiling windows for panoramic ocean views, widescreen TV, private library, in-room bar and high speed internet. Activities vary with the season, with guests enjoying whalewatching in spring, scenic flights and freshwater fishing in summer, bird and bear viewing in fall, and dramatic storm watching in winter.

Days 1-2 Wickaninnish Inn

Board a luxury shuttle to the Inn where depending on the season, you can cast a line out for wild salmon, wander among towering ancient cedars, sit back and watch a storm roll in or comb the sands for starfish and rare Japanese glass floats. The Inn's acclaimed restaurant offers delicious meals and its coffee lounge features an inviting fireplace and specialty menu

Day 3 Tour ends

After breakfast, transfer back to Tofino. Tour ends.



© Wickaninnish Inn

Spectacular Wickaninnish Inn

ORCAS & GRIZZLIES WILDLIFE TOUR

5 days/4 nights

Guesthouse

Departs daily ex Vancouver

Tour cost per person:**	Twin	Single
15 Jun-30 Sep	\$1706	\$1945

Price per person includes: Transportation by road to Alert Bay, accommodation on a B&B basis, meals as per itinerary, half day whale watching in Johnstone Strait, full day of Grizzly Bear viewing at Knight's Inlet, air transfer from Port Hardy to Vancouver, GST.

Not included: Ferry to/from Alert Bay, optional activities and gratuities.

Explore the pristine waters of Johnstone Strait, home to the largest population of Orcas in the world. Go Grizzly bear viewing in Knight Inlet, renowned for its bears, marine wildlife and scenery.

Day 1 Alert Bay

Depart Victoria for Alert Bay and check into Alert Bay Lodge. D

Day 2 Alert Bay

Cruise by zodiac on Johnstone Strait, searching for Orcas, Minke whales, Pacific White Sided Dolphins, and other marine wildlife. Look out for black bear, deer and cougar on the shore. BL

Day 3 Alert Bay

Explore Alert Bay, highlights including Cormorant Island, U'Mista Cultural Centre, the Ecological Gardens and Big Tree Trail. BL

Day 4 Alert Bay

Full day tour by boat to Knight Inlet, famous for its Grizzly bears, beautiful scenery and marine life. We paddle or motor quietly around the estuary, where grizzly bears feed on the sedges and grasses. Overnight Alert Bay. BL

Day 5 Tour ends Vancouver

After breakfast transfer to Port Hardy Airport for afternoon scheduled flight to Vancouver. Tour ends. B



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Incredible wildlife viewing!

CLAYOQUOT WILDERNESS OUTPOST

From 4 days/3 nights
 Departs ex Vancouver
 20 May-30 Sep

	4D/3N	5D/4N	8D/7N
Tour cost p.p.*	Thu to Sun	Sun to Thu	Thu or Sun
20 May-23 Jun	\$6193	\$7436	\$12331
24 Jun-01 Sep	\$7165	\$8603	\$14341
02 Sep-30 Sep	\$6193	\$7436	\$12331

*Single supplement on request.

Price per person includes: Air transfers Vancouver/Tofino return, transfers to/from Tofino airport to resort, twin share accommodation on full board basis, all drinks (including house wine and beer), guided and unguided activities including hiking, horseback riding, kayaking/canoeing, wildlife viewing, Hot Springs Cove trek, Wild Side First Nations Interpretive tour, limited fishing, a massage treatment, GST, gratuities and conservation fee.

Conservation Fee: This fee goes directly to the resort's environmental stewardship programs and to reducing its carbon footprint.

Accessible only by boat or floatplane, Clayoquot Wilderness Outpost is a secluded enclave of 20 safari-style guest tents equipped with private showers and power for essentials. There is also a ranch-style cookhouse providing world-class cuisine, lounge, spa, wood-fired hot tubs and woodstoves. Guests can enjoy both guided and unguided activities including paddling, biking and hiking through pure wilderness. This region is home to prolific wildlife including bears, puffins and porpoises. You are also invited to take part in environmental programs funded by the resort such as bear mapping and raptor rehabilitation.



Stunning tented room



Beautiful Clayoquot Sound

Day 1 Wilderness Outpost
 Enjoy a floatplane flight (approx. 1 hr) enroute to the resort. Spend the afternoon fishing or trekking before savouring dinner in the charming cookhouse.

Days 2/3 Wilderness Outpost
 Glide across whale-rich waters to bathe in the geothermal pools of Hot Springs Cove. Later, embark on a guided hike through ancient forests.

Day 4 Tour ends Vancouver
 After breakfast return to Vancouver. Tour ends.



Kayaking through tranquil waterways

KING PACIFIC LODGE

From 4 days/3 nights
 Floating Lodge

Departs ex Vancouver May-Sep

Tour cost per person:	Twin	Single
Wilderness View Room*	\$5788	\$7634

*Higher standards of room are also available.

Price per person includes: Round trip air transfers from Vancouver, full board accommodation, all drinks (open bar), activities as per itinerary, conservation fee, GST and taxes. Excludes gratuities, excursions by air, use of spa facilities and Kermode bear viewing.

Conservation Fee: A compulsory prepaid fee is applicable to cover Native Access fees, carbon offsets, wildlife and stream conservation in the area.

The rainforests of Princess Royal Island are the only part of the world where the Kermode Bear is found. Uniquely pale in colour due to a recessive gene, this unusual species is best viewed in September when the island's waterways run black with salmon. However, all through the warmer months, grizzlies, humpbacks and orcas are a common sight. Our base for exploration is the King Pacific Lodge, a floating resort with 17 rooms and suites which anchors off the island in a sheltered cove.

SAMPLE ITINERARY – QUEST FOR THE KERMODE BEAR

Day 1 King Pacific Lodge
 Transfer by air from Vancouver to King Pacific Lodge. In the afternoon, kayak and hike with native guides in search of Kermodes and their darker haired cousins. Enjoy a gourmet dinner at the lodge.

Days 2/3 King Pacific Lodge
 Travel by boat or on foot to the best bear-viewing spots. Lunch on board the cruiser and look out for migrating whales, lazy Steller's sea lions and Dall's porpoises.

Day 4 Tour ends Vancouver
 Fly to Vancouver where your tour ends.



The rare Kermode Bear



Sunset at King Pacific Lodge



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